

## Important Notices

### Welcome to a public Mass

Masses in time of COVID -19. Some guidelines as follows.

#### ◆ Holy Communion.

Received only by hands.

#### During Mass: ....

◆ Put your offerings in a Basket provided at entrance, exit or in front of the Sanctuary, anytime. No Offertory Collection baskets passing around

#### Please note that: ...

◆ You **must** wear face covering or a mask while in church.  
Sanitise your hands on entering & exiting. We use one-way system only.

**Make an Act of Spiritual Communion:** Please say this prayer whilst you watch Mass online or in Church if you are not receiving Communion:

*"My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You."*

**St Osburg's Church's Appeal:** A Mother Church of Coventry Deanery is undergoing a very costly emergency works on the Gutters and are in need of your personal help in terms of donations. The guttering around the Church measures 450dt costing in excess of **£26K** to repair. Could you sponsor one foot, **1/2 or even a 1/4?**  
1 foot of guttering = £57. 1/2 foot of guttering = £28.50. 1/4 foot guttering = £14.25. Any amount you can contribute will be greatly appreciated. Please put your donation in an envelop and write "St Osburg's appeal" and hand it to your parish priest or a cheque directly payable to "St Osburg's Church."

**First Holy Communion and Confirmation:** Please continue to pray for our children who are preparing to receive the sacraments of the First Holy Communion.

#### Dates of reception of the Sacraments 2021:

**Monday 28th June:** Reconciliation at **6pm** for both schools.

**Thursday 24th June :** Confirmation at **7pm**-St. **Elizabeth's**.

**Thursday 1st July:** Confirmation at **7pm**-Good **Shepherd**.

**Sunday 4th July:** Holy Communion at **11am**- St. **Elizabeth's**.

**Saturday 10th July:** Holy Communion at **9:15am**-Good **Shepherd**.

**Death Anniversaries this Week:** Rattan Daniel Chand, Rita Dobrowolski, Annie Hastings, Thomas R Cons, Patrick J Farrell, Boleslaw Brzezickie and Daniel James.

**Recently Departed:** Patrick McEaney, Michael Hayden, Ian Connolly, Teri McKendry, Mick Breslin and Ann O'Donoghue.

**May their Souls Rest in Eternal Peace.**

**Important Notice:** Please contact **Fr Moses** if you would like to add names.

This Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham: **Registered Charity No: 234216**

**Church's Live-streaming:** [www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-elizabeths-church-coventry](http://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-elizabeths-church-coventry)



Apostles of Jesus Serves:

St. Osburg's

St. Mary's

St. Elizabeth's

## St. Elizabeth's Roman Catholic Church

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### Parish Schools (Heads)

#### St. Elizabeth's

Mr Michael Doyle

#### Good Shepherd

Mr Andy McConville

#### Parish Church

Parish Co-ordinators:

#### Parish Office

Sr Joan Wafala

#### Parish Maintenance Leader

Joe McCadden

#### First Holy Communions

Mrs S Moran & Sr Olivia

#### Confirmations & RCIA

Miss A Harkin & Sr Olivia

#### Church Flowers

Children's Liturgy and

#### Parish Hall Booking

Mr Richard Swift

#### Safeguarding Officer

Miss Laura Srodon (Solicitor)

#### Church Music/Liturgy

Miss Laura Srodon

#### Gift Aid Scheme

Mr Stan Milewski

#### Chair of Parish Finance

Mr Tony Ashby

#### Sacristan

Miss Ann Harkin & Sr Joan

#### Altar Servers

Sr Joan and Alaysa Embate

#### CAFOD/SVP

Mr Kevin Vaughan

#### Justice and Peace:

Maria

Red Boxes

Mr Bob Ayliffe

## Parish Notices

### Ending Covid-19 Pandemic through Prayer.

Pope Francis is requesting that during this month of May the entire Church invoke the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary for the end of the pandemic, and in a special way, he is inviting all of us to pray fervently for those most closely affected by it. During each day of May, guided by a calendar with specific intentions, all the Shrines around the world, united in a communion of supplication, will lift up their prayers, which, like the fragrance of incense, will rise up to heaven. Thirty Marian Shrines will take turns leading this prayer throughout the Church and offering the faithful a series of prayer moments for them to participate throughout the entire day. Together with the prayer of the Holy Rosary, each day of the month is characterized by a prayer intention for the various categories of people most affected by the plight of the pandemic: for those who have not been able to say goodbye to their loved ones, for all health care personnel, for the poor, the homeless and those in economic difficulty and for all the deceased. The official channels of the Holy See will also broadcast the prayer each day in each of these thirty Shrines at 5:00 p.m.

**Some of these shrines: .....** St. Mary's Cathedral in Australia Basilica of the Immaculate Conception in the United States; Our Lady of Lourdes in France; Meryem Ana in Turkey; Nuestra Señora de la Caridad del Cobre in Cuba; Our Lady of Nagasaki in Japan; Nuestra Señora de Montserrat in Spain; Notre Dame du Cap in Canada; National Shrine Our Lady Ta' Pinu in Malta; Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe in Mexico; Mother of God in Zarvantysia in Ukraine; Black Madonna of Altötting in Germany; Our Lady of Lebanon – in Lebanon; Blessed Virgin of the Holy Rosary of Pompeii in Italy.

## Mass Times and Mass Intentions: Easter Week 7 Year B

<b>Sunday 16th May</b>	<b>9:15am</b>	Charlie & Daisy Williams R.I.P	<b>7th Easter Sunday Yr. B</b>
	<b>11:15am</b>	People of the Parish	
Mon. 17th	<b>9:15am</b>		<b>Virtual only</b>
Wed. 19th	<b>9:15am</b>	Fred Corbett R.I.P.	<b>Public Mass</b>
Thur. 20th	<b>9:15am</b>		<b>School children</b>
Friday 21st	<b>6:30pm</b>	Margaret Ashby R.I.P.	<b>Public Mass</b>
Sat. 22nd/15th	<b>9:15am</b>		<b>Public Mass</b>
<b>Sunday 23rd May</b>	<b>9:15am</b>	Gilbert Nkwocha R.I.P.	<b>Pentecost Sunday Yr. B</b>
	<b>11:15am</b>	Mick Breslin R.I.P.	

### Weekly Offertory and Collections

Gift Aid Scheme: **£349.00** Non Gift Aid: **£267.60**

New Parish Hall Fund Box: **£23.58**: Buy a Brick: **£50.00**

**“Buy a Brick”**: The Parish Community Hall Fundraising Committee, are relaunching this campaign with the aim of raising £2,500. Please pick up a leaflet at the back of church where the stewards are and support the initiative. Hopefully, as we get back to normal, the project of our new hall will also pick up the momentum, and shall be allowed a social gathering.

**Updates for 200 Club**: Monthly membership is only £2 (Or £24 a year). Remember only adults are registered. Thank you all for supporting this scheme. Next draw is Sunday 30th after Mass. Contact. **Sr. Joan or Tony**.

**Open Heaven**: This is an invitation and encouragement for Christians across Coventry to a prayer-walk on every Street in Coventry. This means getting out physically and praying on the streets for the people and activities that take place there. It will be tracked and monitored via an easy-to-use App that can be accessed via Smart gadgets. The App will cover CV1-CV6 and will go live on Sunday 30 May, and Open Heaven will run through to June (1-30). Details are on: [www.openheavencoventry.org](http://www.openheavencoventry.org).

### Please pray for The Sick and Housebound of our Parish:

Caroline Dickinson, Dina Kuczynski, Mary Kean, Mary Gallagher, Rohith De Silva, Joe Peters, Julian and Martine. **Get Well Soon**.

## Seventh Sunday of Easter Year B

**Readings: Acts 1:15-17; Ps. 102; 1John 4:11-16; John 17:11-19**

### The Ascension of the Lord.

#### *The Lord of Glory!*

Do we live our lives with the feeling of being locked in? Do we fail to have a real picture of the vast horizon and the infinite possibilities that Jesus has opened for us? Last Thursday, we celebrated the Feast of the **Ascension of the Lord**. This Feast is an open invitation to see everything from a broader perspective. Christ, our Saviour, lived like anyone of us, surrounded by the various things of the world. But, unlike us, he always maintained a broader perspective. He was sure of the place he came from and the place he would be going back. That is why he said the night before he died: *“It was from the Father I came when I entered this world; now I am on my way back to the Father” (Jn16:28)*.

Of course, he too had his own share of doubts, fears, and uncertainties. There were times when he found it hard to see his way or find meaning in his life and work. But he would make it a point to seek promptly and earnestly for the light and soon he would see things in the correct perspective. The glimpse of the glorious life beyond gave him the necessary strength to encounter difficulties and trials.

When the time came for him to leave the world, he took his apostles up to the top of the Mount of Olives so that they too could have a glimpse of the glory towards which he was going. He promised such a glory would one day be theirs too if they remained faithful to what he had taught them. They were so fascinated by the sight that they kept gazing into heaven. A voice called them back to reality: *“Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven?”* From the mountain they came back to the world, with a new insight, purpose, and direction; with lots of desire for Jesus in their hearts, with hunger to possess him always and to be possessed by him. Sharing in that desire for Jesus, making it our own, may well be the greatest grace that this feast has for us as we draw closer to end of Easter Season.

The Feast of Ascension is one of the most enlightening events in the long process of the world’s redemption, begun when Jesus was born into our human family. He has laid the groundwork by his preaching, his death, and his resurrection. Now the work goes on, and we are part of it. *This Jesus who has been taken from you*, the Angel said to the apostles, *will return, just as you saw him go up into heaven*. In other words, there is work, to be done; get going. Then there is Jesus’ own command - *go, therefore, and make disciples of all the nations .... I am with you always, until the end of time!* This Feast reminds us by this commissioning by the Lord. Jesus has entrusted us with a twofold responsibility: *the task of proclaiming the Good News to those who have never heard it and to be heralds of Jesus*. He also entrusted us with a *healing task*, which means to be concerned with human’s bodies as well as human’s minds, for he wished to bring health to the body and the soul.

If we love Christ, the spread of the gospel must be close to all our hearts. We are not called to be missionaries, but each of us can help carry on that work by our prayers, by our sufferings offered for the missions and missionaries, and by whatever contributions we can make. Missionaries depend on their fellow Christians to help them carry on the work of Christ.

We believe that the liturgy makes present for us the entire life, work, death, and resurrection of Jesus in every feast and Mass. This means that the feasts are not journeys into the past. They are now. May the Holy Spirit whom Jesus send us on Pentecost fill us all with an overflowing love and hunger for our beloved Jesus!